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Future celebrated at Founders Day activities

Procession Marshals Sonja Glassmeyer, left, and Brent Hallock lead the Academic Procession toward Dexter Lawn Friday morning. The procession, which started at the Performing Arts Center, included professors from all the departments and colleges

AARON LAMBERT
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By Lacie Grimshaw
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Cal Poly's Founders Day Academic Procession of bagpipes, drums, delegates, alumni and Cal Poly colleges made it hard for many on-campus students to use Friday's class-free schedule as a chance to sleep in.

Architectural engineering freshman Dan Perez woke up to the sound of bagpipes and drums and watched the procession from in front of his dorm in boxers and a tank top.

"I thought it was 'Braveheart,' with all this stuff going on," Perez said.

The procession marched from the Christopher Cohan Center Plaza to Dexter Lawn. Portions of Grand Avenue and Perimeter Road were closed to traffic, while Cal Poly supporters from all over lined the sidewalks to clap and cheer as the procession passed. A tent full of Cal Poly alumni family members, staff, faculty, students and friends of Cal Poly awaited the procession at Dexter Lawn.

Cal Poly President Warren Baker spoke at the gathering saying that it was the first opportunity Cal Poly has had in the academic year to come together with everyone as a community.

The keynote address was given by David Baltimore, President of the California Institute of Technology and Nobel Prize winner.

Other speakers included Associated Students Inc. President Angie Hacker, Academic Senate Chair Unny Menon, President of the Alumni Association John R. Furtado, Jr., Trustee Emeritus Neel I. Murarka and San Luis Obispo County Board of Supervisor K.H. "Katcho" Achadjian.

Honorary degrees given at the ceremony went to Baltimore and Rita Colwell, director of the National Science Foundation. Both received honorary doctorates in science.

After the ceremony, a luncheon was held for the speakers, delegates and class representatives. At the luncheon, alumni from as far back as 1923 and as far away as New York reminisced with students and faculty.

"It's nice to see the kinds of backgrounds and heritages of Cal Poly," Hacker said.

Meanwhile at the Sports Complex more than 4,500 people came to enjoy the all-university picnic. The attendance was twice the

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Rideshare week gears up

By Collin Hester
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Over a 1,000 San Luis Obispo County commuters are expected to make pledges and participate in Rideshare Week from Monday to Friday to promote alternative transportation.

Rideshare Week is a statewide promotion that has occurred for at least 15 years in San Luis Obispo and aims to get motorists to ride the bus, carpool, vanpool, bike or walk to work or school rather than taking their car.

"What we try to promote here at Rideshare Week and year round is to look at alternative transportation as a viable alternative," said John Donovan, SLO Regional Rideshare program manager.

By making pledges to use alternative transportation, commuters are reducing pollution, traffic congestion and the reliance on the automobile. They are also eligible to win prizes for their participation. Prizes include compact discs,

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When the cup overfloweth



International business freshman Lauren Dargevics, foreground, and Lauren Balistrer, graphic communication freshman live in a "non-traditional" dorm room with two other roommates in a Yosemite tower.

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Editor's Note: The following is a three-part series in today's paper about the impact of the overflowing student population on the university, on-campus housing and parking.

By Emily Schwartz
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

With some new students living in dormitory laundry rooms and even local motels, it seems as if Cal Poly has more freshman than it knows what to do with.

But according to the Cal Poly Institutional Planning and Analysis department, the estimated enrollment of new students is right on target.

For fall quarter, the anticipated new undergraduate student headcount was at 4,596. As of Aug. 31, 4,551 new students registered, mak-

ing up 99 percent of the target enrollment. It is estimated that there are about 230 more incoming students than last year.

"The increase in the number of new students wasn't a surprise to us," said Bonnie Krupp, a research analyst for Institutional Planning and Analysis. "We're actually right on target."

Although Cal Poly expected a larger number of freshmen this year, some students believe that the university has more students than it can handle.

"The number of new students seems to be growing faster than the university's ability to accommodate them," said Lindsey Horn, a business junior.

Some freshmen are forced to live in the off-campus dorms Stenner Glen because the on-campus housing filled up so fast.

"I think there's definitely a housing

problem at Cal Poly," said Angela Vasconcellos, a business freshman. Vasconcellos had to live in Stenner Glen because she registered a day late for on-campus housing, which was completely filled the first day of freshman registration.

Although at first Vasconcellos said she felt cheated of the true "freshman experience" living on campus provides, she is just happy to be in a college town like San Luis Obispo.

"The main reason I was attracted to Cal Poly is that San Luis Obispo is a great town and Cal Poly has a good academic reputation," she said. "I just feel lucky to be here even if my housing situation isn't perfect."

While some freshmen were attracted to Cal Poly based on its location, other students were impressed with the good student-to-teacher ratio. But as the university's enrollment has

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Taliban hides bin Laden

Osama bin Laden is under the control of the Taliban in Afghanistan and is being kept in hiding, said Taliban Ambassador Mullah Abdul Salam Zaef.

"Osama is in Afghanistan, but he is at an unknown location for his safety and security," Abdul Salam Zaef said.

The Saudi-born militant is the United States' prime suspect in the Sept. 11 attacks in New York and Washington, D.C.

There has been no real response to the announcement in Washington, with White House spokesman Ken Lisaius saying it "does not change anything."

"The president was extremely clear ... that the demands that he outlined were not open to negotiation nor were they open to debate," Lisaius said.

—Gathered from BBC News reports

U.S. fears further terror threat

U.S. Attorney General John Ashcroft has warned Americans of the likelihood of "further terrorist activity" in response to prospective U.S. military action against Afghanistan.

Speaking on CBS's "Face the Nation," Ashcroft said that although many suspected terrorists had already been detained, there might still be others in the country "who would have plans."

The United States has in the past two weeks massed troops, warplanes and aircraft carriers within striking distance of Afghanistan in preparation for possible military action.

"We believe there are substantial risks of terrorism still in the United States of America," Ashcroft said. "As we respond to what has happened to us, those risks may in fact go up."

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**FRIDAY**

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number expected, said Polly Harrigan, Centennial Celebration coordinator.

Attendants enjoyed free chicken, baked beans, coleslaw, bean salad, bread, a drink of their choice and a piece of a 100-foot cake in honor of Cal Poly's 100 years.

Bands of every variety played on a portable stage. The musical stylings ranged from a barbershop quartet to rock and punk.

Olympic gold medalist Scott

Hamilton was in attendance because of the music but said he found the celebration to be worthwhile as well.

"I'm surprised there weren't more people," he said. "It's a great time for the community."

Baker said he hoped that the celebration would give new students insight into Cal Poly's history.

"It gives the new students who have come here a sense of pride and tradition — it gives them a chance to reflect a little and inspire them to carry it on," Baker said.

Events at the picnic included axe throwing, volleyball, tug of war, cheese tasting, jousting, dunk tank toss and "townball."

"Everyone seems to be having fun out here," said Steven Baier, computer science freshman. "There is something for everyone to do."

Business junior Stephanie Kanda came to the picnic after being on the Centennial Celebration steering committee last year.

"It was fun to come and see how it turned out," Kanda said. "Free food is always a plus, and it's a good way to celebrate."

Harrigan said the picnic was made possible through "awesome" planning from students and staff. The celebration was a true campus party by having both the students and the staff come out to celebrate, she said.

## RIDESHARE

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smoothies, movie tickets, bus passes, T-shirts and more, Donovan said. The grand prize is a two-way train trip to Santa Barbara for a two-night stay at a hotel.

SLO Regional Rideshare offers many other promotions in addition to Rideshare, which are ongoing, Donovan said. One promotion is called "Fill up Your Carpool" in which carpools that commute over the Cuesta Grade 15 days or more a month are given \$15 in gas coupons. There is also a bus pass subsidy program where bus riders

that travel over the grade receive \$10 off a monthly bus pass, he said.

"We're here as kind of a one-stop shop to provide information on how people can leave their car at home," Donovan said.

There were over 800 pledge forms signed at last year's Rideshare Week in the county where various events are scheduled throughout the week to get people involved, Donovan said.

Rideshare is working alongside its Transportation Choices Program partners — Ride-On Transportation and the Air Pollution Control District (APCD) — as well as San Luis Obispo Regional Transit Authority (SLORTA) to coordinate the many

different events planned for each day of the week. One event will include a treasure hunt that will take place the whole week on all Central Coast Area Transit (CCAT) and South County Area Transit (SCAT) buses. Bus riders are to look for certain marked envelopes that will be placed under the bus seats that hold coupons redeemable for prizes from SLO Rideshare.

Donovan said that a lot of people drive short distances to get to work or school when walking, taking the bus or riding a bike would be more practical.

"People have jobs where they

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## NATIONAL BRIEFS

## Roster of possible terrorists grows

WASHINGTON — "The List," containing a slew of Arab-sounding names, has been teletyped to thousands of law enforcement agencies across the country.

Each day, new names are added. Few have been deleted. Routinely attached is the warning: "These individuals should be approached with caution."

As the FBI presses forward with the largest dragnet in the nation's history, its most visible law enforcement tool has been this bare-bones roster of names passed to police agencies, airlines and border agents.

The ever-expanding list reflects the complexity of the challenge facing authorities as they struggle to gauge the dimensions of an unprecedented criminal conspiracy. The list's lack of precision highlights the urgency of heading off further attacks that could be brewing. It also makes clear the difficulty investigators have in tracking the identities of people from different cultures whose names can take many different forms when translated.

At the same time civil rights advocates are growing increasingly anxious about innocent people being branded and their lives disrupted.

## Supreme Court back in session

WASHINGTON — The Supreme Court, keeping to business as usual, opens its new term this week facing familiar disputes over affirmative action and the death penalty as well as new cases involving "virtual" pornography, identity theft and the rights of workers with carpal tunnel syndrome.

Unlike the rest of official Washington, the court's work is unlikely to be affected directly by the terrorist attacks of Sept. 11. The cases that will be heard this fall were chosen in the spring, and none of them appear to raise the issues of detaining immigrants, racial profiling

or wiretaps, which have loomed large in recent days.

In retrospect, civil libertarians said they are relieved that some key legal issues were decided last term. Close votes last year suggest that the court might not stand in the way if Congress expands federal powers to combat terrorism.

## Bush criticized for 'homosexual political agenda'

WASHINGTON — In a clear sign that not all politics has taken on a restrained tone since the terrorist attacks, the conservative Family Research Council issued a blistering critique of the Bush administration last week, accusing the White House of giving an "implicit endorsement" to the "homosexual political agenda."

A list of offenses: includes letting openly gay Rep. Jim Kolbe, R-Ariz., who led the effort to lift the domestic partner benefits ban, speak at the GOP convention; naming former Massachusetts governor Paul Cellucci (R), a "militant advocate of homosexual rights," ambassador to Canada; and picking "prominent gay activist" Scott Evertz to head the White House AIDS office.

Gay rights activists blanched the timing of the memo.

"There is a time and a place for these types of debates," said Human Rights Campaign spokesman David Smith. "Now is not that time."

## Fight over oil drilling resumes

WASHINGTON — Stilled by the events of Sept. 11, strong disagreements over the environment could resurface as early as this week.

Lawmakers are poised to resume a partisan fight over oil drilling in the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge. And as they return to the nation's domestic agenda, they must contend with global warming, national forest protec-

tions, arsenic in the drinking water and air quality.

All are issues that had put the environment at the center of the policy divide separating the White House and congressional Democrats.

That divide all but disappeared, or so it seemed, as Washington came together in response to the terrorist attacks. Major environmental groups laid down their swords, some purging their Web sites of anti-Bush rhetoric.

Now, signs of renewed strife are emerging as some Senate Republicans see to make domestic energy a national security issue, and dissenters rise to argue that national emergency does not require sacrificing environmental goals.

Briefs compiled from Los Angeles Times-Washington Post News Service by Mustang Daily Staff Writer Malia Spencer.

## INTERNATIONAL BRIEFS

## Asia-Pacific

NAURU — Nauru, a Pacific island and the world's smallest republic, accepted another 262 asylum-seekers — mostly Iraqi and Palestinians — into its borders last Saturday. The announcement came as the Australian government implemented a new "get-tough" approach, limiting further refugee immigration.

The Naurubian government is receiving \$10 million from Australia to run a detention camp for the now 800 boat people who have arrived from Indonesia and other neighboring countries seeking refuge in Australia.

— BBC News, Great Britain

## Africa

DR CONGO — "Diplomatic efforts to seek to resolve Africa's largest conflict have intensified in recent weeks," reported the BBC News

Sunday.

Government officials from Democratic Republic of Congo (DR Congo) and Rwanda announced Sunday that talks on establishing a new peace effort had concluded.

Rwanda's President Paul Kagame, said he would pull his troops out of DR Congo if Hutu militia groups were "disarmed and demobilized."

On the meantime, 2,000 UN troops are stationed in Africa's Great Lakes region to help monitor relations between the two nations.

— BBC News, Great Britain

## Middle East

SAUDI ARABIA — Saudi Arabia declared false reports that it would allow the American government to utilize the country's military bases, reported El Pais, a Spanish newspaper. According to El Pais, a Saudi defense official said "we will not accept the presence in our country of any soldier involved in a war against Muslims or Arabs."

— El Pais, Spain

## Latin America

MEXICO — Mexican legislators expressed their disagreement with President Vicente Fox's announcement Friday that he would unconditionally increase petroleum sales to the United States if the latter entered into conflict in the Middle East, according to La Jornada, a Mexican newspaper.

PRI and PRD senators (two of Mexico's three stronger political parties) considered the announcement "imprudent," since any decision to increase petroleum production or exports through PEMEX, Mexico's government-owned oil company, needs the approval of Congress. Such a decision would also violate existing contracts with other oil-exporting nations.

— La Jornada, Mexico

Briefs compiled from various international news services by Mustang Daily managing Editor Sonia Slutzki.

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## Freshmen face housing crunch

By Whitney Kobrin  
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

Many students remember the day they moved into the dorms — how they met several people, went to dinner with 20 new friends and stayed up late talking to their roommate. At the beginning of this school year, many new Cal Poly students are having a different experience that includes living in former laundry rooms, common areas and off-campus hotels.

Several students are living in what is being called "non-traditional" housing.

The study lounge in each of the seven Yosemite Hall towers is currently occupied by four students. The six South Mountain halls (red bricks) have six residents in each study lounge. Forty rooms in the North Mountain Halls have three roommates this year.

Design capacity for on-campus housing is 2,783, but this year, the number of students living on campus is 2,961, said Carole Schaffer, associate director of Housing and director of Residential Life.

"I think that Housing and Residential Life has worked hard to accommodate as many students as possible," Schaffer said.

Because the study lounges in Yosemite Hall are connected to the laundry facilities, those laundry facilities are not in operation, and Yosemite Hall residents are sharing facilities with the Sierra Madre towers. Renovations will soon be underway making the laundry rooms in Yosemite Hall accessible without entering the study lounges, Schaffer said. The Yosemite Hall non-traditional housing units are equipped with phone, cable and Ethernet service, but some of its residents are not sure about the accommodations.

Lauren Balistreri, a graphic communication freshman, lives in non-traditional housing in Yosemite Hall with three roommates. She said that the main downfall of her housing situation is a lack of storage space, since her housing did not come with closets or desks. Cal Poly provided bunk beds, a chest of drawers for each roommate, one table, a refrigerator and two microwaves, Balistreri said.

The students living in non-traditional housing were offered a 25 percent discount each quarter, Balistreri said.

"We had to pull a lot of strings to get what we needed," said Lauren Dargevics, one of Balistreri's three roommates.

"We don't have a place to put our

clothes, or our books," Balistreri said.

The red bricks have Ethernet and phone access, but are not equipped with cable access, Schaffer said.

Brendan McElligott, a resident in a red brick study lounge, has a positive outlook on his living situation. He said that spaces in traditional housing were already opening up, but he turned down an offer to move.

Cal Poly needs to adjust the numbers they offer to accommodate on-campus housing, McElligott said. He said that there are pros and cons to his housing. Everyone knows he and his roommates because they live in an overflow room, and they go "overflow hopping" to meet people, he said. He also said that he feels a little bit isolated from the dorm life, and his privacy does suffer slightly.

"Everyone looks in our window like it's a zoo," McElligott said. "On move-in weekend, people walked through the room because they didn't know anyone lived here."

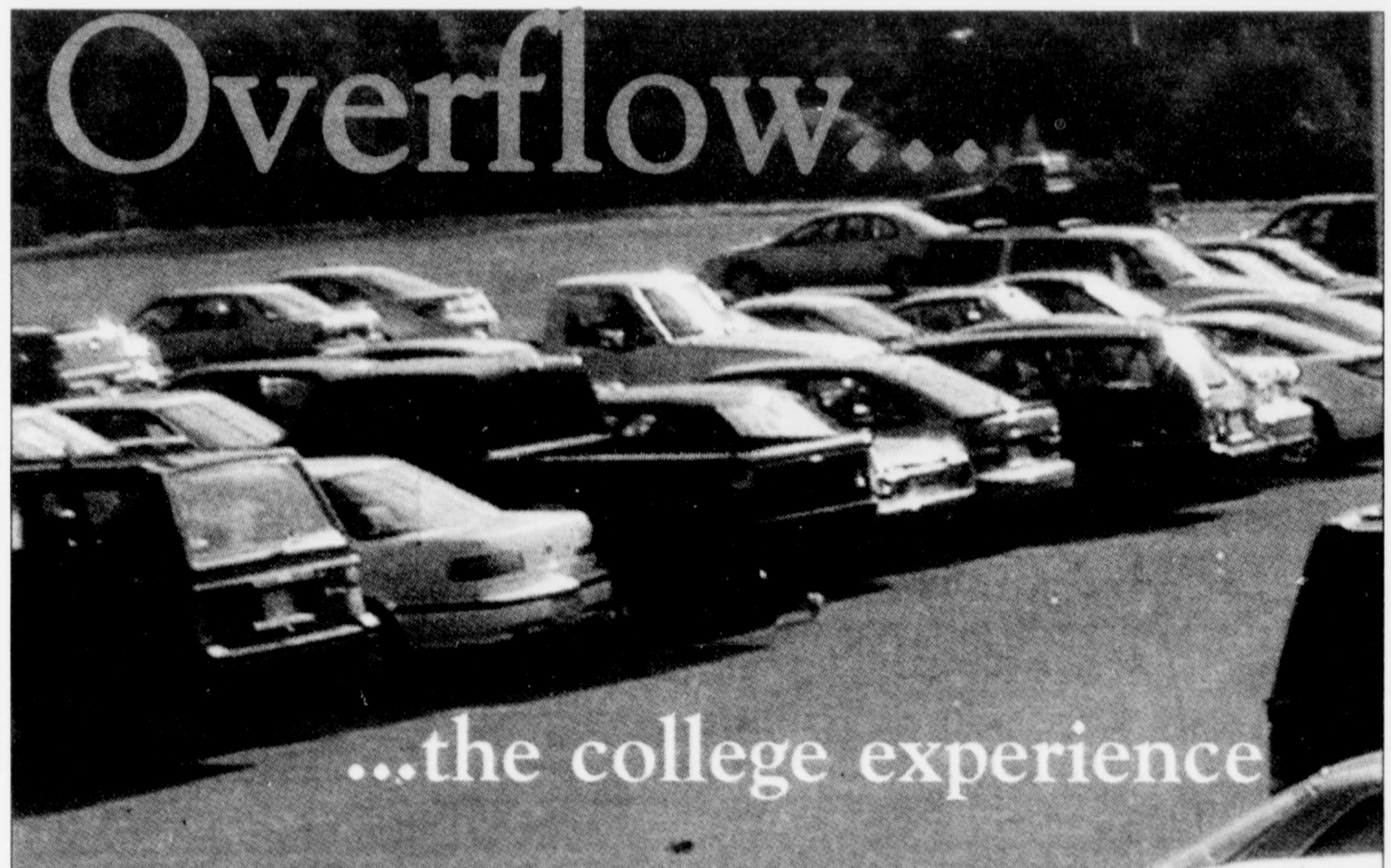
At Days Inn, a half mile off campus, 62 transfer students have accepted housing for the remainder of the year. Some students are working directly with The Cliffs in Shell Beach for housing.

The contracted rooms at Days Inn have been renamed Housing South, and are being used as a transfer student housing facility. Because it is off campus, Housing South residents have the option of a modified meal plan that offers eight meals a week for added flexibility. Schaffer said Housing South is organized just like any on-campus housing, with a community desk, community service project, community council and staffing structure.

Housing South resident, Melissa DePaoli, said she pays the same amount for her housing as traditional housing students do. Housing South residents do not have an established mail service yet, said DePaoli, so the two resident advisers hand out their mail. Residents of Housing South have a maid service twice a week, and the rooms have plenty of storage, she said. Because Day's Inn would like to maintain the appearance of a hotel rather than a dormitory, residents are not allowed to put anything on the walls, and cannot place notes on their doors, DePaoli said.

"They told us that we would be able to use the pool, spa and fitness center, but when we got here, they told us we were not allowed to," she said.

DePaoli said that the social aspect of dorm living is missing in Housing South.



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The Grand Avenue parking lot at the south east entrance of campus is often the first to fill to capacity.

## Parking problems frustrate many

By Malia Spencer  
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

Parking on campus has caused the collective patience of students and faculty to run thin, and with the prospects of yet another week of driving in circles and waiting in traffic, relief doesn't seem to be in sight.

With increased enrollment and the addition of 7 a.m. classes, parking lots all over campus are reaching capacity earlier than ever. Stories of looking for parking for more than 20 minutes have become the norm for many students.

"I get to campus around 9 a.m. and traffic is already backed up. It takes 20 to 25 minutes to get to class just from the time I arrive on campus," said English junior Kelly Wootton. "I could be using that time to read or go over notes and prepare for class."

Math freshman Katy Wakefield

was just as irritated.

"My first three days, it took a half hour to park," Wakefield said. "So today I got here early, about 8:30, but it still took a while and I parked pretty far away."

Students have also been voicing their frustration over the increase in parking permit costs and the lack of available parking.

The decision was made last year to increase the price of parking permits to \$51 this fall and \$60 next fall. Cindy Campbell, associate director of the University Police Department, said the increased revenue would be used for a variety of reasons.

Some of the money will go toward keeping the city bus service free for students and staff. Campbell said, for the past decade, the city bus expense was footed by the money generated from parking citations, but that money was not keeping up with

increases in the city transportation bill.

The decision was made to continue using parking citation money, but to also supplement that with parking permit money.

Another reason the cost of parking increased is to help fund future construction, Campbell said. Currently, there are 4,791 general parking spaces and 1,318 staff spaces. The Cal Poly Master Plan calls for the addition of two more parking structures — one at the California Boulevard entrance to campus and another to collect traffic from Highland Drive.

However, Campbell said, these structures are not state projects. This means that taxes and tuition money will not help fund them, parking money will.

The planned parking structures are

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in preparation for future campus expansion.

"These (parking structures) are ultimately, over time, going to replace parking lots that will be lost in future campus expansion," said Katherine Dunklau, project manager at facilities planning.

Dunklau also said this will keep the core of campus buildings academic with mostly pedestrian access and keep parking on the peripheral. Dunklau added that there is no immediate schedule for the construction of these structures.

Campbell said that though these are planned as replacement for parking that is lost, the Master Plan does

call for an increase in parking as the campus population grows, but these numbers will not grow at a 1:1 ratio.

Campbell pointed out that many schools across the country have very limited parking. Schools such as University of California at Los Angeles use the lottery system and then permits start at \$144 and go up from there.

According to the Web site of the University of California at Santa Barbara, parking is determined by where a student lives in relation to campus. If the student then decides to buy a permit, it will cost them \$55 to \$110, depending on the type of permit.

With the increase in student enrollment, Campbell believes that eventually Cal Poly will have to limit the number of students who can drive, but, in the mean time, the school is hoping students will pick up

the habit of using alternate transportation.

This year, the school plans to add more bicycle racks on campus that will also be made possible from the increase in parking fees. Campbell said she understands that many students have expensive bikes and feel uncomfortable leaving them in the existing racks on campus.

Campbell also added that Cal Poly is trying to add additional bike lockers.

University police was able to expand their escort van service with the help of parking fees, Campbell said. There are now two vans that run from dusk until midnight Sunday through Thursday with a shuttle service that extends to a half mile off campus.

The university is committed to encouraging alternative modes of transportation, Campbell said, as shown with the busing

and the future bike racks and lockers. But to do this, parking fees were going to have to cover it.

"That (alternative transportation) is a priority in the Master Plan, to keep alternative transportation a viable resource and keep us in the position to offer it," Campbell said. "But it doesn't come without a cost."

Many students believe that this year parking is especially bad but both Dunklau and Campbell said the first two weeks of the quarter are always this chaotic.

Campbell's advice to students who are frustrated with the parking situation is to use alternate transportation. "No matter how you look at it, parking is expensive and it's an inconvenience," she said. "The spaces that are available are at least a 10-minute walk. Look at walking, look at biking, look at transit to get to school."

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grown each year, some returning students have noticed that class sizes have also grown.

Kristen Fraisse, a liberal studies junior, said that her history professor John Oriji had to change the curriculum this year due to the increasingly larger classes. For Oriji's sections, the class sizes jumped from about 30 to approximately 50 students. As a result, Oriji changed the course requirements from one 15-page paper per person to one 15-page paper per group of four.

"I think many students come here for Cal Poly's small classes," Fraisse said. "But as more and more students are admitted each year, there seems to be less one-on-one attention between teacher and student."

Krupp said her department is aware that the increase in new students this year has an effect on class sizes and that they have given special attention to the issue in their preparation for the fall quarter.

"We have really worked hard to provide more course sections and more classes to better accommodate all of the students this year," she said. "Enrollment seems to be increasing every year. This is not a new trend."

Not even half of this year's fall quarter applicants were accepted, according to Institutional Planning and Analysis statistics. More than 23,000 new students applied this year, while only about 10,600 were selected from those applicants. This is the most applications processed in the past 14 years, an increase of approximately 2,400 applications over fall 2000.

"Cal Poly has a great reputation, and I think that's part of the reason why so many students apply each year," Vasconcellos said. "I think people know they're getting their money's worth when they come to Cal Poly. It's the best school for your money."

## CARPOOLING

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don't need a car during the day, but the accessibility and the ease of using the automobile clouds people's judgment as far as trying to get on the bus or trying to start a carpool," Donovan said. "They feel like they're losing their freedom by not having a car."

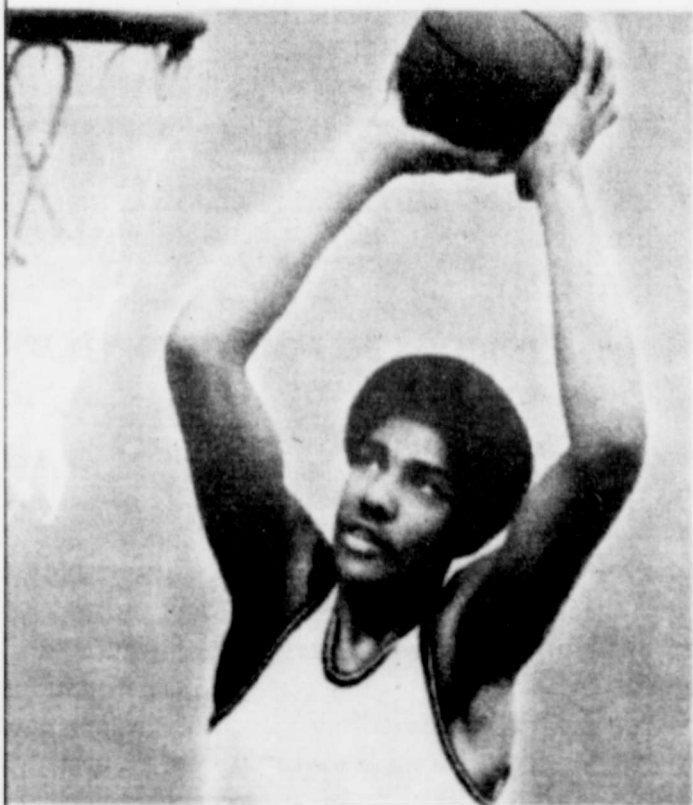
When comparing air quality in the county to other counties in the state, it has very good air quality, said Deby Anderson, commuter and access services coordinator with the Cal Poly University Police.

"We (San Luis Obispo County) are one of two counties in California that still has clean air," Anderson said.

Regional Transit Manager David Lilly of SLORTA, which operates the CCAT, SCAT, Runabout and Regional Ridesharing transits, said there is a need to encourage society to be accountable and try to keep the clean air we have, which can be done just a few days a week with alternative transportation.

"Alternative transportation, whether it's a bus, or carpool, or whatever - you don't have to do it everyday to make a difference," Lilly said. "If you do it two or three times a week, you can make a huge difference on the impact that it has in our community. Some people think it's an all or nothing kind of a deal, and it really isn't."

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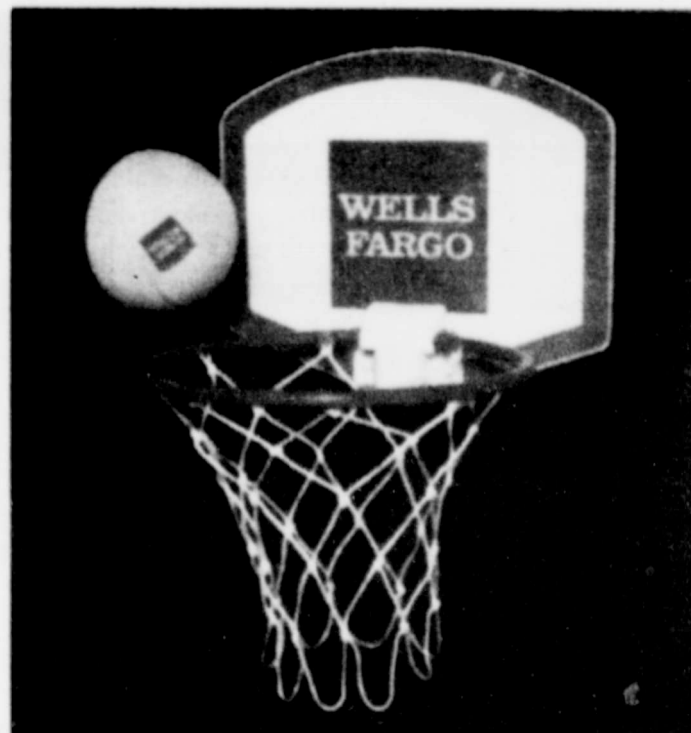
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# Stop blaming federal agencies

Three weeks after the terrorist attacks on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon, our nation continues its desperate search for answers to how these horrific events transpired. But in our search to understand what happened, some Americans are going too far by placing unreasonable expectations on the U.S. intelligence community.

In a CNN.com article Thursday, Sen. Robert Torricelli, D-N.J., described the attacks as a "stunning failure" of U.S. intelligence. The senator has requested a board of inquiry to find out "what went wrong so we can prevent it from happening again."

The action that Torricelli calls for would be unnecessary and a complete waste of time. It should come as no secret to Torricelli that the U.S. intelligence community – made up of 13 intelligence agencies with a combined \$30 billion budget – has faced tremendous limitations in its anti-terrorist efforts for years.

In a story Saturday at CNN.com, Torricelli said, "obviously, the failure to infiltrate (terrorist) groups – to track them and to understand their methods – contributed to this terrible crisis."

Torricelli and intelligence officials already recognize what went wrong. His call for an inquiry, then, represents a futile effort to provide us with any new information.

Much has been said about the failure of the CIA and FBI to warn us prior to the attacks. But wasn't the 1993 bombing of the World Trade Center that killed six people a warning to all of us that terror could strike again at any time?

We must remember that anti-terrorist experts state that it likely took years to plan such intricate attacks. Americans must consider the complex networks of terrorist cells and the challenge in obtaining reliable information from foreign intelligence services to help our nation's effort to prevent terrorist activities. Demands for personnel in areas other than anti-terrorism also pose a challenge to U.S. intelligence capabilities.

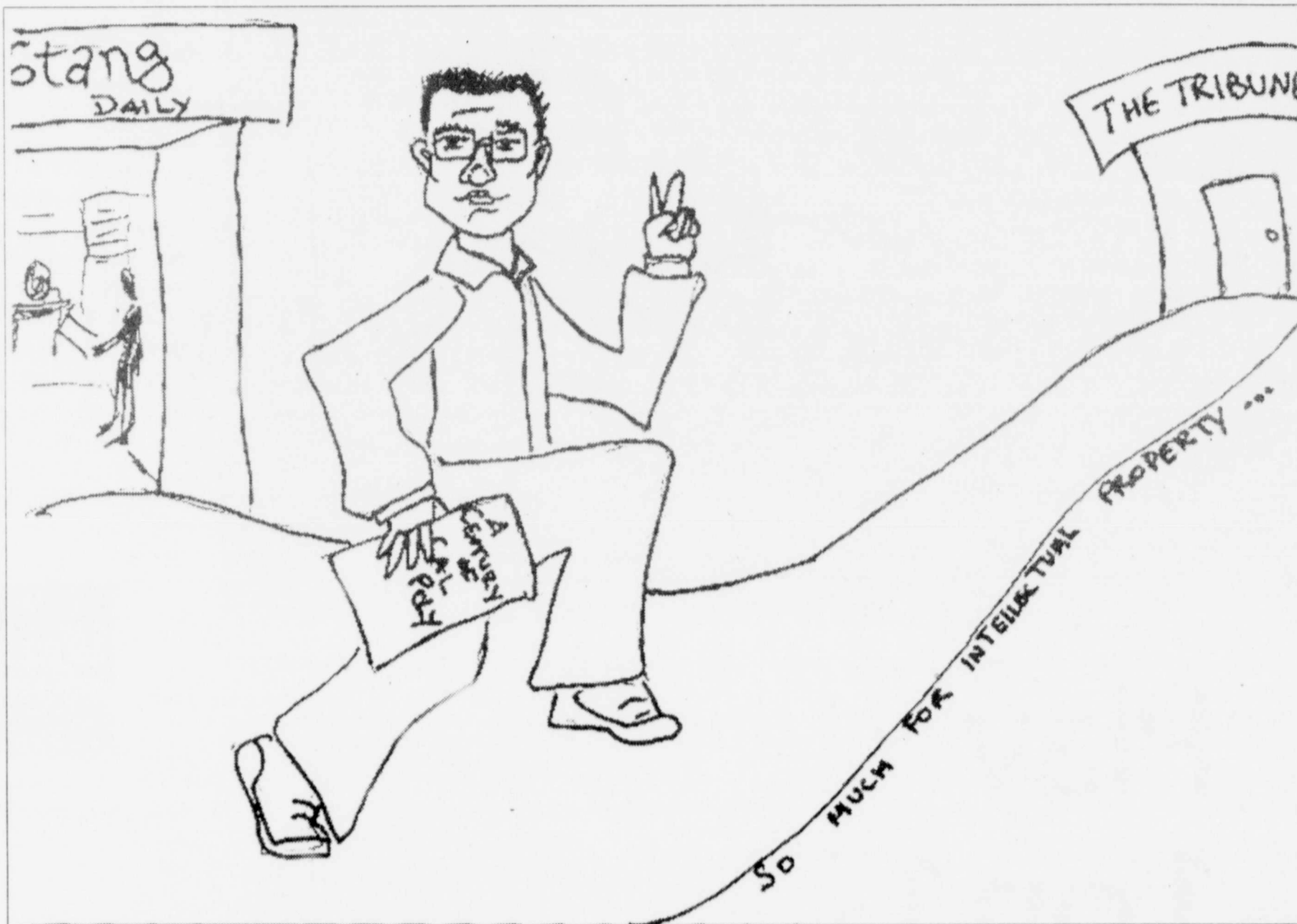
Unfortunately, there is no guarantee that all instances of terrorism against the United States will be stopped, no matter how much money or information is available to our intelligence services. It is absurd to expect that the agencies will be able to predict every intention of terrorist groups.

As former CIA officer Michael Turner acknowledged in the Sept. 19 San Diego Union-Tribune, "intelligence failures are an inherent part of the intelligence game, and they occur with regularity." He said a key step toward understanding and addressing the problem is for Americans to hold realistic expectations of what intelligence personnel can and cannot do.

Torricelli and other critics of the agencies need to follow the example of President Bush. In visits last week to CIA and FBI headquarters, Bush expressed his appreciation for the efforts by CIA Director George Tenet, FBI Director Robert Mueller and their employees.

This is not a time to slam our intelligence agencies with blame. This is a time to applaud their achievements and to recognize that serious challenges remain a part of their profession. It is unreasonable to expect that intelligence agencies will foil all attempts of terrorism against our nation. We cannot go back to change the events of Sept. 11, but we can forge ahead against terrorism by supporting the current efforts of our intelligence community.

Laura Vega is a journalism senior and Mustang Daily staff writer.



## Letters to the editor

### Choose to fight or let the terror continue

Editor,

Is it necessary for the United States to go to war? In the Sept. 26 issue of Mustang Daily, we read that there are many people who do not support any action by the United States that would lead to war. Instead, they promote the cause of peace and a change in America's policies abroad, which they feel would build better relations with governments currently accommodating terrorists.

This view was demonstrated in two letters to the editor (one unsigned) and in two articles, one about a so-called "peace march," the other a discussion of the "peace option." The Mustang Daily even devoted its entire front page to a gentleman in tie-dye, waving an anomaly of the American flag.

Whether the Daily chose to make that issue the "give peace a chance" issue, or whether it simply presented the material available at the time, I do not know. I do know that the issue was unbalanced, and did nothing to capture the reaction of most students to the possibility of war.

So then, is it necessary for the United States to go to war? I say yes.

Clearly our security and our way of life have been threatened. Foreign dictatorships support the culprits. It would be foolish to negotiate, or to be diplomatic with, governments that do not know the rule of law or respect the sovereignty of their own people.

We must not be afraid to use our military for its intended purpose. We must deal with these so-called governments in the same fashion we deal with their terrorists. They must be eliminated before they strike again. The time for peace has clearly passed, and an age of war is upon us. We must be willing to make the sacrifices necessary to protect our freedom and our way of life.

We cannot afford to wander through town

with banners calling for peace. As Patrick Henry said in his famous address to the Second Virginia Convention in 1775, "It is in vain, sir, to extenuate the matter. Gentlemen may cry, 'Peace, peace' – but there is no peace. The war is actually begun!" We can either acknowledge that we are at war, and choose to fight, or we can continue to be terrorized.

Chris Weber is an architecture junior.

### PSA members not part of violent demonstrations

Editor,

Recently Stephen Metrolas tried to blame the Progressive Student Alliance for the riots in Seattle. As an active member of the PSA, I would like to clarify a few misconceptions.

The demonstrations against the World Trade Organization (WTO) in Seattle were planned to be peaceful. Many people traveled very long distances to be there to show solidarity against globalization through non-violent marches and speeches. They did not come all that way to hurt innocent people, to loot stores or to experience the pain of tear gas firsthand. The riots that occurred were the result of angry, violent and selfish acts by people who were there for the sake of making a scene.

The people who started acting out violently in Seattle are not members of the PSA. I do not understand why Stephen Metrolas would think that the PSA would support their actions. Yes, the PSA is involved with the anti-globalization movement, but that does not mean that we support violence.

He also claimed that the PSA is against "America herself" by being against war. War is a series of violent acts that only prolong the cycle of violence. I do not see how being against violence makes one anti-American. Does that mean that Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. and Doris Day were anti-American? What about Congresswoman Barbara Lee (D-Calif.)?

She voted against the authorization of the use of military force. Is this Congresswoman a traitor because she does not want to immediately engage in violent retaliation?

I highly encourage everyone, but especially Stephen Metrolas, to learn more about Islam, Afghanistan and U.S. foreign policy. It is imperative that we educate ourselves about these issues in order to better understand the recent terrorist attacks and their impact on the future of our nation.

Michelle McCready is a social sciences sophomore.

### Previous attacks were a test of U.S. patience

Editor,

I'm writing in response to all previous and future articles that state raging a war against terrorism is wrong. Like the physicist would say, for every action there is an equal and opposite reaction. In this sentence the key word is "reaction." The United States is only reacting to these vicious events. Horrific events have occurred long before this, but it apparently takes more than 6,000 dead civilians for anyone to react. There was the 1993 attack on the World Trade Center, then the bombings of embassies in Kenya and Tanzania, and lastly the bombing of the USS Cole. All these attacks show strong evidence that they were supported and led by Osama bin Laden. In all those events more than 300 Americans were killed and many more wounded. Bin Laden was testing our patience so he could plan an even bigger attack of catastrophic proportions. You know how we responded? We decreased intelligence spending and lost all contact with intelligence sources within the terrorist networks (orders of President Clinton).

Islamic extremists want to terminate all

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Christians and Jews. Why not start with the biggest fish in the sea? The United States is the strength of this world. When Europe and Japan were destroyed by the events of WWII, we rebuilt them. When did someone come to our aid when disaster hit our country? They all say they are with us, but the one true friend to America is Britain.

Civilians die in war – there are no ifs, ands or buts about it. Does this mean we just lie back in our rocker sitting on our hands? This isn't like a cold that will go away. This is more like AIDS – it's going to get worse and worse, and if we lose this war it could be the end of all civilization. It isn't going to be long before bin Laden has nuclear power at his side, and just guess who his target will be. Some people are treating these terrorist groups as if they act rationally – just promote peace and love and they'll stop bombing us. I think \$43 million by the United States to a radical government that is only recognized by one government, Pakistan, is a sign of promoting peace and love.

I have never been prouder to be an American, and I've never been prouder of our leader than I am today. This is an hour in our history where we all have to stick together. Don't be that weakest link.

Greg Maita is an industrial engineering junior.

## Uganda needs AIDS-fighting support

Africa is dying – literally. We have heard the numbers before, but, as expected, they are growing at an alarming rate. South Africa's AIDS barometer measures the estimated worldwide AIDS count daily. On Sept. 27, the estimated totals had reached 43,473,796. According to UNICEF, more than 16 million Africans have

## Commentary

died of AIDS, and 4 million of these are children under 15. It seems hopeless, especially when the pharmaceutical giants and their \$20,000-a-year AIDS cocktails are considered. According to the Kenyan minister of health, only 2,000 of Kenya's estimated 2.2 million people living with AIDS could afford antiretroviral drugs (ARVs). In Uganda, 30 percent of the urban population has AIDS, ranking Uganda as one of the most AIDS-ridden countries in the world.

Where does the United States stand in all of this? The Bush administration has taken several rather contradictory steps in the war against AIDS. During Bush's first day of office he reinstated Reagan's "gag rule," prohibiting U.S. funding for overseas family planning and health organizations, many of which provided HIV/AIDS counseling and treatment. Bush also did away with the AIDS adviser's position on the National Security Council. However, in February the U.S. Trade Representative's office

announced that the Bush administration would continue with Clinton's executive order designed to make AIDS drugs easier and cheaper to obtain in Africa. The Bush administration certainly doesn't seem to know where the United States stands on one of the most pressing issues of our time.

“... not attempting to create an AIDS vaccine and potentially save millions of lives would be more unethical than testing humans...”

Uganda, however, knows where it stands in the midst of the battle against AIDS. On Friday, the AIDS-weakened country of Uganda began considering mandatory HIV/AIDS tests for all pregnant women, hoping to reduce mother-to-child transmission. Women who are found HIV positive will be given, free of charge, drugs designed to help prevent mother-to-child AIDS transmission. This is an impressive step for a country with an annual health care expenditure of about \$7 a person.

Uganda is taking other steps to stop the spread of AIDS. As early as the end of next year, Uganda could receive the first vaccine for the sub-type of HIV that exists in Sub-Saharan

Africa. Do we thank the U.S. and European pharmaceutical giants for this? No, we thank the Uganda Virus Research Institute and the International AIDS Vaccine Initiative. While the ethics behind testing the AIDS vaccine on humans were hotly debated, a cure is Uganda's only hope. It seems that not attempting to create an AIDS vaccine and potentially save millions of lives would be more unethical than testing humans with an unknown outcome. Of course, the rich “first-world” pharmaceutical companies are concerned – not concerned for the lives lost in Africa, but concerned about the cash lost out of their pocketbooks. If a Third World country such as Uganda developed an AIDS vaccine for a fraction of the cost, how would the pharmaceutical giants earn their money?

The ethics are very clear. Lives are at stake – millions of lives. The Bush administration needs to take a stand against the international AIDS crisis. The pharmaceutical companies need to stop playing God, controlling both purse strings and heartstrings. The Ugandans need to continue waging their war against AIDS. It's often difficult to care about something that is, to most of us, a distant problem. However, if something isn't done soon, it will be our intimate problem.

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# Offense stalls as Mustangs fall

By Jacob Jackson

MUSTANG DAILY SPORTS EDITOR

If you arrived two minutes after kickoff, or even if you just went over to the concession stand to get a hot dog at the start of the game, you missed Cal Poly's offense Saturday night at Mustang Stadium.

A screen pass to Darrell Jones on the second play of the game went for 74 yards and a touchdown, and the Western Washington faithful braced themselves for an onslaught similar to what Cal Poly delivered the previous two weeks, scoring a combined 89 points in blowout wins over Sacramento State and Montana State.

But it never materialized.

▼ *"He's (Scott Mitchell) got great legs. He drove us nuts in the first half."*

**Rich Ellerson**  
Cal Poly head coach

Scott Mitchell gave the Cal Poly defense fits, throwing for 174 yards and a touchdown and running for 91 yards in a 17-9 win for the Vikings.

"He's got great legs," Cal Poly coach Rich Ellerson said of the 6-foot 2-inch, 210 pound Mitchell. "He drove us nuts in the first half."

Mitchell orchestrated three Vikings' scoring drives in the first half, including a 10 play, 84-yard drive at the beginning of the second quarter capped by Greg Dykstra's 15-yard touchdown grab, the Vikings' only touchdown on the day.

Mitchell dropped back to pass on the play, but was flushed out of the pocket and rolled right looking for an open receiver. He found Dykstra in the right corner of the end zone to give Western Washington a 12-7 lead, and Nyle Chambers tacked on the two-point conversion with a plunge through the left side of the line.

At that point Mitchell had already hurt the Mustangs several times over. On the Vikings' first play from scrimmage after Cal Poly's opening touchdown, he answered with a 27-yard strike to Sean Marshall down to the Mustangs' 43-yard line. He led Western Washington down to the Cal Poly eight-yard line before settling for a 25-yard field goal by Michael Koenen.

After a Seth Burford punt, Mitchell and the Vikings got the ball back with 8:45 left in the first quarter and went to work again. On second and 15 from his own 25, Mitchell fired a 35-yard pass along the right sideline to a streaking Dykstra down to the Cal Poly 40-yard line.

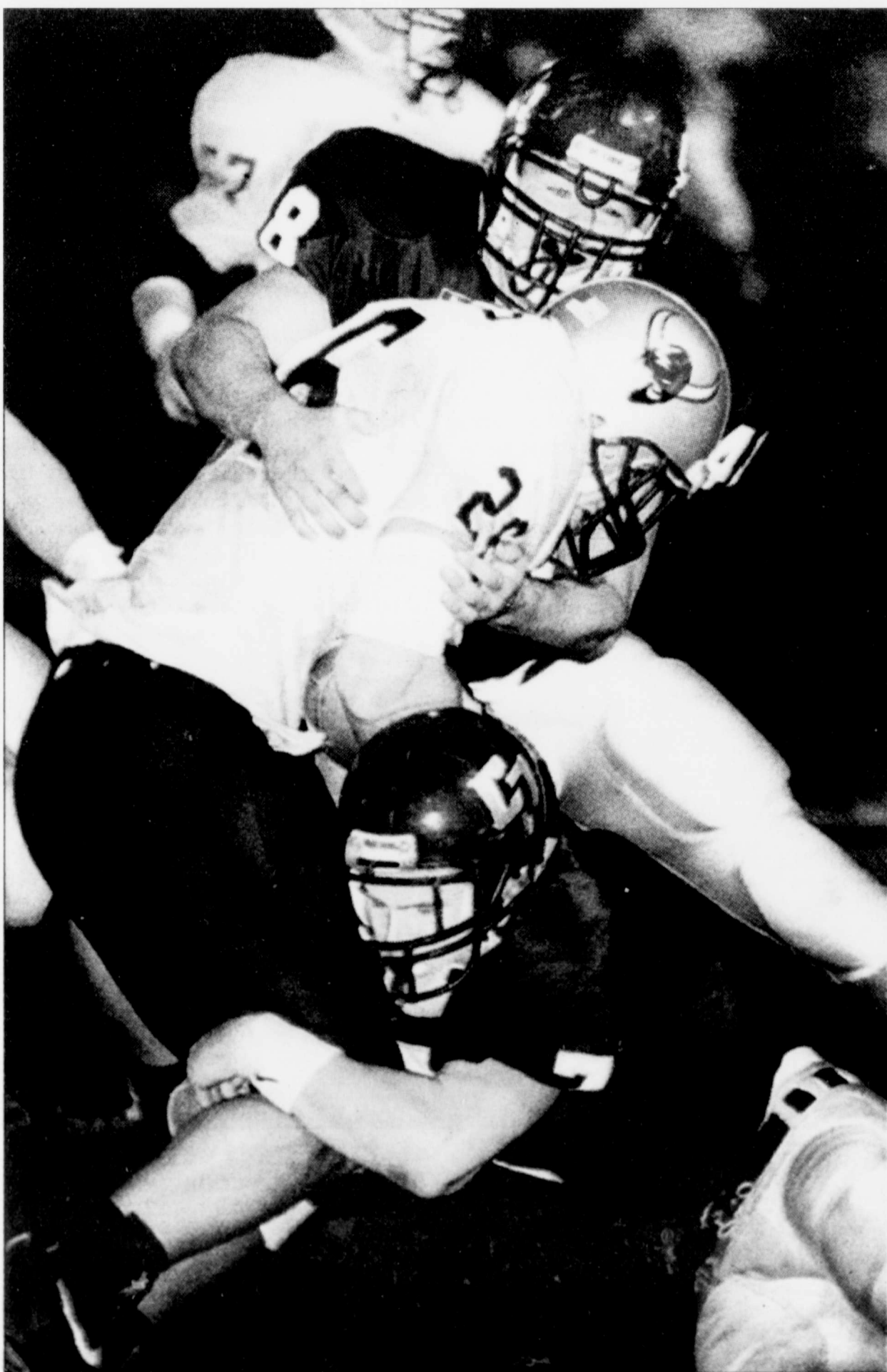
Two plays later, he converted on third and long with a seven-yard scramble through the heart of the Cal Poly defense to keep the Vikings' drive alive.

Mitchell then snapped a streak of five consecutive games without an interception when defensive lineman Isaac Dixon picked him off at the Mustang 15-yard line, but Dixon was stripped of the ball at the 21. Western Washington recovered, giving the Vikings a fresh set of downs and new life offensively.

The mistake proved costly for the Mustangs as Koenen nailed his second field goal with 2:12 left in the first quarter to pull Western Washington within one, 7-6.

After the game, Western Washington coach Rob Smith, the school's all-time leader in wins and winning percentage, had nothing but praise for his senior quarterback after the game.

"Scott Mitchell played like we needed him to play today," Smith said. "He's got the ability to create, and that can drive any defensive



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**Spencer Faddis (7) and Joe Martinez (48) combine to wrap up Western Washington running back Nyle Chambers. Chambers finished with 86 yards rushing on 21 carries.**

coordinator crazy. We're fortunate to have him."

The Cal Poly defense managed to get to Mitchell once in the first half, and they got some points to show for it.

A 50-yard Burford punt midway through the second quarter pinned the Vikings inside their own one-yard line. Two plays later, Mitchell dropped back to pass and fumbled under a heavy rush from Dixon and the Cal Poly defensive front. The ball squirted into the end zone, and in the ensuing free-for-all for possession, the ball rolled out of the back of the end zone for a safety.

Unfortunately for the Mustangs, the offense couldn't generate the same excitement on their side of the ball.

The Mustangs came up empty after a 13-play drive in the third quarter when Navid Niakan missed a 37-yard field goal with 1:25 to play.

In the fourth quarter, three Cal Poly drives ended on unsuccessful fourth down conversions.

Burford drove the Mustangs to the Viking 41-yard line with two minutes to play, but three straight incompletions sealed the win for Western Washington.

Burford led the Mustangs with 20-31 passing for 274 yards and the score to Jones. He also ran 61 yards, but Cal Poly wasn't able to run the ball when it wasn't in his hands, finishing with only 93 yards on the ground.

"We couldn't get anything done offensively," Burford said. "They were just more physical than us."

Ellerson attributed the offense's difficulties to an inability to run the ball.

"They played us differently than anyone else has," Ellerson said. "It's frustrating, because they gave us the run and we couldn't do anything with it. We can't rely on the big passing play like we have been to have success."

Ryan McCarty and Adam Herzing combined for 155 receiving yards but couldn't find the end zone against the stifling Western Washington defense.

"We have to turn this around," Herzing said after the loss. "It's going to be burning inside us for a while."

A crowd of 7,403 came out to see the Mustangs' first home game since the student body resumed classes.

"It's wonderful playing in front of the crowd," Ellerson said. "Hopefully they'll come out again."

Jones added that having a spirited crowd in the bleachers felt like having a 12th man on the field.

Ultimately, Ellerson wasn't discouraged by Saturday's game.

"There's going to be adversity in the football season," he said. "We need to move forward, and we will."

The Mustangs get their chance in two weeks at home against Southern Utah.



## NOTEBOOK

### Volleyball splits two matches

The Cal Poly volleyball team moved to 9-3 on the season after splitting its two Big West matches on the road last week.

The Mustangs began the road trip with a three-game sweep over Idaho Thursday night in Moscow. Game scores were 30-25, 30-27, 30-25.

The Mustangs came out hot hitting .341 in game one, but the Cal Poly defense carried the day posting 14 total blocks.

Errin Benesh and Worthy Lien each had six block assists while Anya Douglas and Carly O'Halloran helped out with five.

Freshman Jessica Diepersloot led the charge from the offensive side with 14 kills (.310) while Lien added 10. Kristen O'Halloran helped jump start the team in the second game when she posted three kills on five swings.

The team then traveled to Logan, Utah, where they lost 3-1 to Utah State on Saturday. Game scores were 27-30, 30-27, 23-30, and 20-30.

Junior Worthy Lien led the Mustangs with 13 kills in the four-game match.

Freshman Jessica Diepersloot recorded a double-double with 12 kills and 11 digs.

Senior Kristin Sigel had 10 digs in the loss.

The Mustangs outblocked the Aggies 15-13 with Lien recording a team-high eight assisted blocks. Carly O'Halloran and Douglas helped out with seven each.

Cal Poly was out hit .213 to .170 and had four fewer digs (63-59) in the match.

The Mustangs fell to 3-2 in Big West play with the loss.

Cal Poly will open their home season next week when they host UC Santa Barbara in Mott Gym on Saturday at 7 p.m.

### Men's Cross Country gets 18th

The Cal Poly men's cross country team placed 18th among 36 schools competing in the Roy Griak Minnesota Invitational on Saturday at Les Bolstad Golf Course in St. Paul, Minn.

The Mustangs, led by junior David Jackson, scored 439 points. The University of Wisconsin was the team champion with 129 points.

Jackson completed the 8,000-meter course in 24 minutes, 35.7 seconds for 16th place. Mustang teammate Paulo Carvalho, a senior, finished 55th in 25:03.6 while sophomore Daniel Avila was 78th in 25:12.6.

Other Cal Poly finishers were senior Jason Bouey, 109th in 25:26.3; sophomore Matt Swaney, 181st in 25:56.9; freshman Justin Neuroth, 198th in 26:07.8; and freshman Tom Phelps, 215th in 26:28.0.

Individual winner was freshman Matt Tegenkamp of Wisconsin with a time of 23:58.0.

Meanwhile, the Cal Poly women's cross country team finished eighth at the Stanford Invitational on the Stanford Golf Course. The Mustangs accumulated 249 points.

Stanford won the team title with 24 points, followed by Arkansas (39) and Brigham Young (88).

Cal Poly's top finisher was sophomore Katherine Schlegel, who placed 18th with a time of 1:22:12 for 6,000 meters. She was followed by sophomore Amber Simmons, 44th in 1:22:45, and Jessica Dalhberg, 58th in 1:22:57.

Cal Poly is idle next weekend and will host the Cal Poly Invitational on Saturday, Oct. 13, at the Cuesta/Fairbanks Cross Country Course.

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